

NEW ZEALAND COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRISTS INC.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION POLICY & INSTRUCTIONS

Eligibility

The College consists of (a) MEMBERS, (b) FELLOWS, (c) HONORARY FELLOWS, (d) EMERITUS MEMBERS, (e) ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, and (f) STUDENT MEMBERS, as defined by the Rules.

MEMBERS shall be New Zealand registered optometrists who have been in professional practice and have demonstrated commitment to a high standard of professional competence and conduct according to College standards for at least two years.

FELLOWS must meet the requirements as for Members and in addition must have completed the academic requirements as determined from time to time by the College.

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP (non-voting) may be granted to any person, on the recommendation of Council, who has given exceptional service to optometry on a national or international level.

EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP may be granted to any Member or Fellow upon recommendation of Council.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP (non-voting) may be granted to New Zealand registered optometrists who have yet to demonstrate the required two years of commitment to a high standard of professional competence and conduct according to the College standards.

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP (non-voting) may be granted to those students who are enrolled in either of the final two years of the Bachelor of Optometry course at the University of Auckland, or undertaking full time post-graduate study in optometry at the University of Auckland.

Honorary Fellows, Associate Members and Student Members are not permitted to hold office in the College except at the discretion of Council.

Applying for Membership

Prospective Members or Associate Members are requested to submit a completed application, together with a *non-refundable* application fee of \$30. The cheque for the fee should be made payable to the New Zealand College of Optometrists, and submitted with the completed Application for Membership form, together with a photocopy of your practicing certificate.

Prospective Student Members are requested to submit the application form signed by the Head of the Department of Optometry and Vision Science confirming their status as enrolled optometry students. There is no application fee for this category of Membership.

It is recommended that the applicant retain a copy of the completed application on file and have supporting materials available if requested.

Please send your application to:

The Secretary
New Zealand College of Optometrists
P O Box 87046
Meadowbank
AUCKLAND 1130